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SENT DEPARTMENT 25. REPEATED AMEMBASSY BUENOS AIRES 1, HICOG 20.

HEADQUARTERS NAVAL FORCES GERMANY SENT FOLLOWING TELEGRAM
TO NAVY DEPARTMENT:

"EX-LUFTWAFFE ACE, OBERST RUDEL EXPATRIATE RESIDING IN ARGENTINA, PRESUMABLY IN OR NEAR BUENOS AIRES, RECENTLY VISITED WESTERN GERMANY AND CONTACTED SEVERAL GROUPS FROMER WEHRMACHT OFFICERS CORPS EXPOUNDING THAT GERMANS SHOULD NOT LIFT ONE FINGER AGAINST SOVIET CONQUEST OF GERMANY AND EUROPE AS IN TIME GERMANS COULD DO BETTER WITH RUSSIANS THAN WITH WEST. RUDEL ALSO VISITED SWITZERLAND SPEAKING TO VARIOUS PEOPLE THERE. HE DEPARTED ABOUT TWO WEEKS AGO TO RETURN ARGENTINA. EMBASSY CONTROLLED GERMAN EX-NAVAL SOURCE WITH WHOM RUDEL ALSO SPOKE IS VERY SUSPICIOUS THAT LATTER IS IN COMMUNIST PARTY. RUDEL ADVISED HIM THAT HE HAD BROKEN OFF RELATIONSHIP WITH LUFTWAFFE GERNERAL GALLAND AND OBERST BAUMBACH ALSO IN ARGENTINA AS BOTH WOULD LIKE TO GET INTO UNIFORM AGAIN AS ARGENTINE INDUSTRY OFFERED NO POSSIBILITIES FOR AVIATION TECHNICAL DEVELOPMENT. SUGGEST US REPRESENTATIVES BUENOS AIRES DESCREETLY TAKE UP WITH ARGENTINE OFFICIALS RUDEL'S HIGHLY SUSPICIOUS PRO-COMMUNIST TALKS TO GERMAN MILITARY CIRCLES AND ATTEMPT ESTABLISH IF HE IS IN SOVIET SERVICE, RUDEL APPARENTLY HAD FINANCIAL MEANS."

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